

Membrorum Principium Apostasia:

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SHORT VIEW

Those many Diseases and Infirmities which proceed from a Defection, or Falling away of the Principal Members or parts of the Body, from the performance of their several Offices and Functions;

Together with Their

CURES.

By the Marchiſs

Tinctura Cæleſtis:

A Medicine

Exquisitely prepared and fitted to give Relief in such Extremities, and of ſufficient Virtue and Efficacy to reduce ſuch vitiated parts to their former ſtate; and thereby Radically Cure ſuch deplorable Diseases in Men, Women and Children. With ſeveral Inſtances of ſome Eminent and Memorable Cures, of late wrought by it.

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A SHORT VIEW of those many Diseases and Infirmities, &c.

JT is the Office of Medicine; saith Barthol. Paracelsus; *Quod deest in humano corpore sarcire, &c.* to repair what is defective in mans Body, and withdraw what is superfluous. This indeed is the main Scope and Design of Physick. This point, is the Center of all the Studies and Labours of the most Learned Physicians; and the utmost End and Perfection of this most renowned Art. Hence it was that Medicine justly prepared, and duly administred, were by Herophilus called, *Manus Deorum* The Hands of the Gods; intimating a certain Beam of Divinity, even in these mean parts of the Creation, the inferiour Classes of Natural Bodies, by reason of that Miraculous Efficacy, that admirable and unaccountable power and virtue which was found in them to repair and make good, the continual decay's of humane Bodies, and thereby support and prolong the Health and Life of Man. For this reason I was moved (with desire to do good to all, but especially the poorer sort, who were not able on all occasions to apply themselves to a Physician) to publish this most Generous Medicine my *TINCTURA CÆLESTIS*.

A Medicine! which, from its preparation and operation, I can with good assurance warrant, to answer those great Ends in Physick before mentioned and by many signa Experiments, in several years late past demonstrate: Some of which I shall here mention, but all I cannot in this narrow compass. I say, those two qualifications of a good Medicine, are Eminently visible in this; as first; it doth, detractere superflua, draw away all superfluity of humours, which are the causes and matter of divers Diseases: And next, it doth *Quod deest sarcire*, repair what is defective, by adding strength and vigour to the sickly and enfeebled Body, and that with all possible ease and security. For the Composition of this excellent Tincture (as it is wrought with that Care and Skill let me speak it without boasting) that becomes an Artist, so it is managed with that caution and regard to all constitutions, that all persons from the Cradle to the Crutch, may safely and familiarly use it. Yet it is a brisk, vigorous Medicine; works thoroughly and to the purpose gives plentiful Stools and Urine, without any uneasiness, sickness, or griping, as is usual with most purging Medicines: Yet (Note) one singular property (which it claims above others) where it meets with a very foul stomach, it throws up by one Vomit, or two at most, a deal of filthy slime, and tenacious Flegm and Cholér, working off the rest downward, with much pleasure as well as profit to the Patient.

Upon the first Reception into the stomach, it is carried forth throughout all the ways and passages of the Chyle (that is, an extract of the first concoction of the Food whereby it perfecteth the Concoctions, carries off all crude, or raw undigested matter which disturbs or depraves them, restores lost Appetite preserving the stomach, as parts subservient unto it in a due disposition, to receive, retain, and properly distribute a good and sound nourishment, to the whole, and every part of the Body, with

dispersing all Fumes, Vapours, unpleasant belchings, puffing up, or stopping of the *Breath*: Proceeding further and passing with a *strong* & *repeated* *thrust* in its *circulate motion* throughout the whole Body, preserving the whole *Mass*, sweet, pure and untainted, comforting the *Vitals*, or Spirit of Life, and being a *high Cordial*, helps against fainting, swooning, cold sweats, and trembling of the Heart, and the like Effects, caused by *loss* or *disparation* of the *Spirits*: It reacheth *Ventricles* of the *Brain* and *Nerves*, promoting the free passage of the *animal Spirits* and *Nutritious Juice*, cuts off the *Fountain* of *Catarrhus*, or *Rheumatic Defluxions*, which fall upon the *Joints* and *Muscles*, and turns off the *Head Springs* of *Rheumatisms*, *Gout* and *Arthritic* *Pains*, which according to *Fernetus* (who glories that he only found it out) fall from the *Head* upon all the parts so affected.

It opens the obstructed *Liver and Spleen*, clearseth those *close or narrow* passages of the *Bileal Veins*, unloads the *Mesentery, Pancreas* and *Gall*, all which are mutually concerned in Sangnification, or forming the Blood; and thus cures the Diseases of those parts so vitiated, as, *Cachexie, or evil habit of Body, Dropsies, Jaundies, Cholick, Inflammation, Obstructions, Vapours, of Wind*, shooting into the *Sides and Back*, and causing very sharp Pains there; it helps those who are *stupid or drowsy*, though to a degree of *Madness*, and many other Diseases arising from the *Saturnines*, which cannot be treated of in this narrow *Limit* of discourse; in the Cures of which this *Noble Tincture* hath wonderfully signalized its matchless Virtues; of which I could give many instances, which daily occur, but must be contented to give but few, and omit many for Brevity sake. One remarkable Cure was wrought upon

The Mother in Law to Mr. Joseph Pluckrofe, Gläffeller at Elect-ſt ridge in Fleet-ſtreet a Gentlewoman very ancient, who had long ſuffered under an evil habit of Body, with windy Fumes and Vapours, Obſtructions of the bowels, inward pains, &c. but eſpecially the Faculty of her ſtomach deprav'd, appetite and digeſtion ſo weakened, that her food found not the uſual paſſage, but was daily thrown up by vomiting, in which condition ſhe had long ſubiſiſted, even to deſpair of recovery, till ſhe took of my Tinctura Caeleſtis, by which, with Gods aſſiſtance; ſhe ſoon recovered her former health, which continues to this day; whereupon ſeveral of their Relations made uſe thereof, and ſent quantities to their Friends in the Country who all found the like effects, to their great benefit and ſatisfaction.

Another great and memorable cure was done upon one --- Holsworth of Marlborough in Wiltshire, by Trade a Black-Smith (but a man Eminent in that Town, & all the Country about for some famous passages in his Life.) He lay long sick of a Dropsie, which was attended with great footlings all over, difficulty of breathing, prostrate appetite, and the extremity of the usual symptoms of that prodigious disease, all advices and means used for his recovery proved ineffectual and death only was expected to end the contest between the disease and almost vanquished Nature, till happily meeting with my Tinctura Galestis, in the hands of Mr. Robert Butcher a worthy person of that Town: He took of it, according to the Direction of this Paper, and in a short time was restored to perfect health and continues lusty and strong; since which he occasionally coming to London, came to visit me, and gave me an account of disease and cure, which (next to Divine providence) he owed my Tincture only.

Furthermore, in Diseases of the Reins, Ureters and Bladder, as also the *Seminal Genital Parts* its virtues are so great, that, all that I am able to say in my Praises of this incomparable *Tincture*, cannot come up to its deserved Character. But this I must leave to the modesty of the Author.

er and efficacy, to cleanse and scour those parts, and deliver them from all manner of vicious matter, which is apt to be generated there and under many violent Diseases; Obstructions, Inflammations, Swellings, Runnings, and Wounds, even to the Consumption of the whole strength and substance of the Body: But especially in that most deplorable Disease, that can happen to miserable Men, the STONE. It is of an unparallel'd Virtue & Use. And though I will not say, that upon the present taking, this Tincture will forthwith break the Stone in pieces as with a Hammer, nor will any Man who knows what he says, affirm it of any one or all the Medicines in the World. But its great Operations are exerted by rectifying the deprav'd quality of the Kidnies, abolishing that matter of which the Stone is formed, laying open the passages of the Ureters that were obstructed, and making them thereby more free and opportune to the draining away and expelling that lapidescent matter: Nature it self being thus relieved and assisted, will find it no hard matter to ease it self. And the Stone, for want of such matter to supply its growth, will be apt to waste and moulder away, and by the powerful impulse of this Noble Tincture, flow out in smaller particles with the Urine, as hath been prov'd by sufficient Experience, and may be confirm'd by substantial Testimonies; among many I will here insert one from Mr Robert Butcher of Marlborough before mentioned, a Man of unquestionable Reputation and Integrity; I give it you in the words of his Letter.

Your Tincture generally doth good, and answers peoples Expectations: Here was an Old Man of about 70 Years of age lay very bad with the Stone, he took one Glass, and the next day brought away several stones of a great bigness, two of which I have in my house.

I shall add one instance more upon this Subject: A Minister of a Town within 3 or 4 Miles from Southampton, coming to London, came to me, to take from mine own hands a quantity of my Tincture to carry into the Country for his own use, and that of his family and Friends; Discoursing with me about my Tinctura Caelestis told me how highly he esteem'd it, for that he had taken of it from Mr. Powel, Bookseller in Southampton my Correspondent, and that he had been long troubled with the Stone, and used many Medicines in vain, by taking of my Tincture, the very first Glass brought from him twenty Stones.

I lately also received a Letter from Mr. Alexander Kemp, Chirurgion in Basingstoke in Hampshire, of an Eminent Cure he did with this my Tincture Caelestis, upon a man who had been severely afflicted with a swelling in his Privities, large and very painful, who continues sound and very well.

I could add many others but I am confined, and these must at present suffice, to shew, that by these powerful and effectual operations, this Celestial TINCTURE doth comfort, support, and preserve the Principal parts and Members of the Body, as the Head, Heart, Stomach, Liver, Gall, Spleen, Mesentery, Reins and Bladder, in the just measure of strength and Vigour, which is of the greatest importance in the World, according to that of Paracelsus, *Conserva membra principalia & mors non facile eveniet*, saith he, Preserve the principal Members of the Body, and death makes but slow approaches. But when these are out of order, and cease to perform those Offices, for which God and Nature ordain'd them, the Strength fades, Sickness prevails, and Death obtains the Conquest.

In that Universally lamented Disease the Scurvey, it is a certain and Sovereign Remedy for as the Scurvey, is a disease of the whole Body, known by a dull, heavy, listless, and lazy indisposition to undertake and perform the common actions of Life, that weakness and uneasiness in such as are necessitated to follow business, so, it is also apparent sharp purrid humours & eating the more remote and solid parts of the Body, causing
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the red, or bluish Spots like the *Plague*, in the face of the Face, Arms, Thighs, and Legs, *Itch*, of the Stomach, with *Diarrhoea*, *Loose* of the *Stomach*, *Wind*, *Swelling*, and *Belching*, also rising in the skin like the *Plague* of *Nettles*, and also frequent *mucous* pain, in the Back, Sides, Head, Shoulders, Arms, Legs, and Joints, as are sometimes inspected to be a worse Disease, and very often a preface for the *Gout*, and degeneration oftentimes into the *Dropsy*, and hath at other times the *Fauces* joined with it, with many other violent symptoms hard to be described, being infinitely various, according to the different combinations of such as suffer under them. All which are caused by a general defection and revolt of the principal Members before mentioned, from their several offices and functions, whereby an abundance of evil humours are reaped up, to the annoying and disordering the whole frame and complexion of the Body. Now for the certain Cure, and total rooting out of this woful Distemper, there is not a more ready and exquisite Medicine than this *Celestial Tincture*, to be used as hereafter mentioned. Moreover this *GREAT TINCTURE* is incomparably prevalent against the many Diseases of Women, which put of a respect to that tender Sex I forbear to describe at large. Therefore in short, It is a present help in the many infirmities of the Womb; cleansing it, from those impure humours, which flow into it, causing Fits of the Mother, Vapours which disturb the Head, Heart, Stomach, and Vitals, causing great *Swelling*, *Strangulation*, *Ulcers*, *Pains*, and infinite other dismal effects, throughout the whole Body, by reason of its affinity with all the *Noble parts*. In all which it gives a seasonable relief, and preserves Nature in her due Course. It restores to the *Pale Virgin*, a fresh and pleasant Countenance, and to such as want their Feminine sickness, it brings *That*, with all the ease and satisfaction that can be expected, and so prevents a multitude of Evils which usually attend those defects.

It is exceeding available in Worms in Children and in the *Rickets*, it affords present help.

In times of Contagion it is an high preservative and keeps off all *Infection*, which will be of great use to such as by full eating and drinking, and other ease and luxuriant ways of living, are apt to get *Scurfs* and *Fever*, and will probably be more obnoxious to such Diseases in this ensuing year, which according to the Predictions of our *Astronomers*, shall from those dreadful Configurations of the *Heaven*, and Malevolent Aspects of the superior Planets, is like to produce many Mortal Sicknesses, And now, say they who have such Means at hand, and prudence to consider a threatning mischief and prevent it.

Lastly, In all these Sicknesses, Diseases, Distempers, Infirmities, Indispositions of the whole, or any of the parts and Members of the Body here mentioned, this Generous Medicine, my *TINCTURA CAELISTIS* is prepared to answer all the indications and intentions, of their Cure, being of Virtue equivalent to their Exigences accommodated to such their Extremities of weakness, and to preserve and support Nature Vigorous, sound, strong, and in a lasting state of Health.

Directions for the Use of the TINCTURA CAELISTIS.

It remains now, that I only give some Directions for the use of this *Celestial Tincture*, in which I shall be very brief, for a Publick Medicine should in no wise admit of difficulties, to perplex or puzzle the Senses or Memory of the Reader with tedious

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